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BEGIN SUMMARY: QADHAFI WILL MEET MALLOUM IN SEBHA FEBRUARY 23.
NIGER'S KOUNTCHE AND SUDAN'S NUMAYRI REPORTEDLY MAY ALSO
ATTEND FOUR-POWER SUMMIT. SUDAN, LIBYAN, CHAD COMMUNIQUE OF
FEBRUARY 18 INDICATES PROGRESS TOWARDS RECONCILIATION OF CHAD
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DISPUTE. SUDAN AND LIBYA FORM COMMITTEE TO PURSUE RECON-
CILIATION. END SUMMARY.

1. ACCORDING TO OAU SOURCES AND LIBYAN MEDIA, LIBYA'S
COLONEL QADHAFI AND CHAD PRESIDENT MALLOUM WILL MEET
IN THE LIBYAN TOWN OF SEBHA FEBRUARY 23. MEETING
APPARENTLY BEING EXPANDED TO INCLUDE PRESIDENTS

NUMAYRI AND KOUNTCHE. MEETING WAS ORIGINALLY ANNOUNCED IN A JOINT LIBYAN, SUDANESE AND CHADIAN COMMUNIQUE ISSUED FEBRUARY 18 (REFTEL).

2. THE COMMUNIQUE REJECTED ANY "FOREIGN INTERFERENCE THAT WOULD COMPLICATE MATTERS AND HINDER THE EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE NATIONAL RECONCILIATION IN CHAD,....." AND CONDEMNS THOSE CALLING FOR CONTINUED FIGHTING AMONGST CHADIANS." IT INDICATED THAT CHAD HAS WITHDRAWN ITS COMPLAINT FROM THE SECURITY COUNCIL, WILL RESTORE DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH LIBYA, AND ALLOW THE LIBYAN EMBASSY TO CARRY ON ITS NORMAL ACTIVITIES. THE COMMUNIQUE ENDS WITH CHAD EXPRESSING ITS APPRECIATION FOR THE "CONSTRUCTIVE EFFORTS" OF LIBYA AND THE SUDAN IN ASSISTING CHAD TO SOLVE ITS INTERNAL PROBLEMS AND ACHIEVE NATIONAL RECONCILIATION. IT WAS SIGNED BY CHADIAN CAPTAIN GOURARA LASSOU, MEMBER OF THE SUPREME MILITARY COUNCIL AND MINISTER OF EDUCATION, SUDANESE AMBASSADOR AND PRESIDENTIAL ENVOY ABU BAKR UTHMAN, AND LIBYAN FOREIGN SECRETARY ALI TURAYKI.

3. A SEPARATE LIBYAN/SUDANESE PRESS STATEMENT ALSO ISSUED FEBRUARY 18 APPEALED TO THE VARIOUS GROUPS OF THE FROLINAT FOR AN IMMEDIATE CEASE FIRE AFTER AN APPEAL BY CHADIAN PRESIDENT MALLOUM TO SUDANESE PRESIDENT NUMAYRI. THE STATEMENT EXPRESSED APPRECIATION LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FOR MALLOUM'S RESPONSE TO NUMAYRI'S CALL FOR A CEASE FIRE AND DESIRE TO ACHIEVE A PEACEFUL RESOLUTION TO CHAD'S INTERNAL PROBLEMS. IT APPEALED TO CHADIAN REBELS AND GOVERNMENT TO IMMEDIATELY STOP THEIR PROPAGANDA CAMPAIGNS AND INSTEAD CALL FOR PEACE AND RECONCILIATION. LIBYA AND SUDAN REAFFIRMED THE POINTS OF THE LIBYAN/SUDANESE JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AFTER SUDANESE VICE PRESIDENT QASIM'S RECENT VISIT TO TRIPOLI. THE STATEMENT INDICATED THAT SUDAN AND LIBYA REJECTED FOREIGN INTERVENTION IN CHAD'S DOMESTIC AFFAIRS "BECAUSE THIS TENDS TO AGGRAVATE THE DETERIORATION OF THE SITUATION."

4. THE STATEMENT CONCLUDES WITH LIBYA AND THE SUDAN EXPRESSING THEIR SUPPORT OF THE KHARTOUM JANUARY 22 AGREEMENT CONCERNING NATIONAL RECONCILIATION IN CHAD, AND INDICATES THAT A LIBYAN/SUDANESE COMMITTEE HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED TO BRING ABOUT RECONCILIATION OF THE CHADIANS.

5. QADHAFI IS APPARENTLY EXPECTING SUCCESSFUL MEETING AND JOURNALIST CONTINGENT IN TRIPOLI TO COVER OAU

MEETING WILL BE FLOWN TO SEBHA THIS AFTERNOON (FEBRUARY
22) TO COVER EVENT. FEAT OF PRODUCING QUADRIpartite
SUMMIT AND RESTORING RELATIONS MORE OR LESS SIMULTANEOUSLY
WITH TWO FORMER ANTAGONISTS, IF SUCCESSFUL, AND IN VIEW
OF OAU MINISTERS, IS IMPRESSIVE DISPLAY OF SKILLFUL
LIBYAN DIPLOMACY AND WILL RAISE QADHAFT'S AFRICAN
CREDENTIALS CONSIDERABLY.
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